Alaska Hummingbird Festival 2010

The petite but mighty Rufous hummingbird is the mascot for this festival. Join us in welcoming this pennyweight flyer and other migratory birds back to Ketchikan, Alaska.



Schedule of Events

All programs are FREE to the public and located at the Southeast Alaska Discovery Center, 50 Main Street unless otherwise *noted. For reservations or questions call 228-6220.

Friday, April 2

10am Hummingbird Coloring Competition Begins

The coloring sheets with rules will be distributed at each elementary school or you can pick them up at the Southeast Alaska Discovery Center Tues - Sun 10-4.

*5pm - 7pm Opening Reception & Alaska Hummingbird Festival Juried Art Show at Ketchikan Visitors Bureau

Alaskan artists display their works of migratory birds of Alaska. Meet the artists and enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres provided by the Ketchikan Visitors Bureau. *Art will be on display M-F 8a-5p through April 16th.*

7pm - 8pm Birding Insight

Cheryl Fultz from Southeast Alaska Petroleum Resource Organization (SEAPRO) will present "Oiled--Wild Bird Response in Southeast Alaska" on SEAPRO's role in bird retrieval and rehabilitation after oil spills.

Saturday, April 3

*8am Beginning Birding at Ward Lake

See, hear, and learn the birds found at Ward Lake with Cheryl Fultz. Bring binoculars, water, and wear layers.

10am - 12pm Visiting Artist Program

Hummingbird Garden Collage with Louise Kern. Students ages 5-12 will design a paper hummingbird garden with flowers of their choice. Reservations required.

1pm-3pm Investigation Birds

Leslie Swada will lead indoor and outdoor activities for youngsters and their parents to identify the springtime birds that might visit your garden. Reservations required.

*Visit the Hummingbirds @ Ketchikan Historic City Park! Artistic and commemorative feeders on display today through the end of the month.

Friday, April 9

7pm - 8pm Birding Insight

Live bird presentation by Damon Hampel from Ketchikan Indian Community Tribal Hatchery and Eagle Center.

Saturday, April 10

*8am Birding at Ward Lake

See, hear, and learn about the birds found at Ward Lake, led by Teri Goucher from the Juneau Audubon Society. Bring binoculars, water, and wear layers.

10am - 12pm Visiting Artists Program

Make unusual and edible bird feeders for your garden with Lacey Gilbo. Reservations required.

1pm - 3pm Investigation Birds

Girl Scout Troop 4059 invites you to join them in creating recycled hummingbird feeders. Reservations required.

Friday, April 16

7pm - 8pm Birding Insight: "Photographing Wild Birds" by local photographer Jim Lewis.

Saturday, April 17

*8am Birding Along the South Tongass Shoreline

With Steve Heinl from ADF&G. Meet at the Mountain Point boat ramp. Bring binoculars, water, and wear layers.

10am - 12pm Visiting Artists Program

A beginner level bird drawing class with Chris and Patricia Rose. Reservations required.

1pm - 3pm Investigation Birds

Join Wayne Thompson from the Southeast Alaska Wildlife Center as he showcases live birds and explains their adaptations to youngsters and their families.

Monday & Tuesday, April 19-20

*8am - 5pm Pick up art from Juried Art Show @ Ketchikan Visitor Bureau

Friday, April 23

7pm - 8pm Birding Insight

"The Birds of the Ketchikan Area and Southeast Alaska: A Scientific Perspective" with Steve Heinl and Andy Piston from ADF&G.

Saturday, April 24

*7:15a Birding on Gravina Island

With Andy Piston from AGF&G. Board the 7:15 am airport ferry. Bring binoculars, water, and wear layers.

10am - 12pm Visiting Artists Program

Cement Garden Stones with Dawn Rauwolf and Geenah Caraglin. If you'd like, bring your own design materials such as stones, beads, tiles, etc. Reservations required.

1pm - 3pm Investigation Birds

Preschool children and their parents will enjoy this interactive program about birds by Faith Duncan. Reservations required.

4pm Hummingbird Coloring Competion Ends

Turn in your sheets to the Southeast Alaska Discovery Center. Winning entries will be announced Wednesday April 28 and be on display through the end of May.